Remarks

This amendment responds to the official action of January 20, 2011. A previous amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 was filed May 12, 2011 with a one month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). That amendment was not entered according to an Advisory Action dated May 18. The present amendment is timely due to the extension that was filed, running to May 20.

Claims 15 and 16 have been allowed. Claim 14 was considered allowable if placed in independent form including the subject matter of its base claim 1. (There is no intervening dependent claim.) Applicant has copied claim 14 into claim 1 in order to comply with the indication of allowable subject matter. Claim 14 has been canceled.

In the official action, objection was made to claim 1 for lack of antecedent basis in the specification for: "a pair of jaws gripping an outer perimeter of the housing of the shower head between two diametrically opposed locations at a widest part of the housing of the shower head, the holder acting by means of an interference fit with the housing and permitting withdrawal and introduction of the shower head between the jaws, along a direction of the grip." Applicant requests withdrawal of the objection.

Inasmuch as the response filed May 12 was not entered, the limitations to which objection was made are back in claim 1. The application as filed supports the limitations to which the examiner objects. Applicant proposes to amend the specification to ensure that the written description further includes the identical statement that the withdrawal and insertion direction is along grip 9. No new matter is presented because the withdrawal/insertion direction in each of Figs 1 through 5 is shown to be along the direction of the grip. Paragraph [0032] (as published), which is page 6, line 21 (as filed) state that the showerhead can be withdrawn toward the wall, which can be seen in Figs. 1 and 2 to correspond to a direction along the grip. This amendment does not introduce new matter.

Applicant requests that that the objection to the noted terms on grounds of antecedent basis in the specification be withdrawn as unwarranted, and that that the claims be allowed. For antecedent basis, see: page 2, lines 25-26 ("the holder may be configured such that it grips the outer perimeter of the shower head's housing . . . "); page 5. line 22-23 ("pair of laws whose inner surfaces are contoured to match the outer surfaces of the shower head's housing . . ."); page 3, line 8 and page 6, lines 8-9 ("diametrically opposed locations"), which in a disk shape is necessarily across the widest part; and page 5, line 27 ("interference fit"). With this amendment, "along a direction of the grip" has antecedent basis at paragraph [0032], consistent with the written description originally found in that paragraph as applied to the drawings. No new matter is presented.

All requirements are met. Applicant requests a formal notice of allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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